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SUBJECT: NEWSPAPER CLAIMS SENATOR HUMPHREY AND NSC OFFICIAL SPEAK
OF BILATERAL ECONOMIC AID FOR SPAIN

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1. ACCORDING TO MARCH 31 INFORMACIONES, THE CENTRIST MADRID
AFTERNOON NEWSPAPER, SENATOR HUMPHREY QUOTE PROMISED END QUOTE
A GROUP OF SPANISH CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS THAT HE WOULD ASK
THE SENATE FOR A "MARSHALL PLAN" FOR SPAIN AND PORTUGAL.
THE SAME ARTICLE QUOTES AN UNNAMED NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL
OFFICIAL AS HAVING TOLD INFORMACIONES THAT SPAIN WOULD
RECEIVE BOTH BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL QUOTE MATERIAL
END QUOTE SUPPORT FROM THE UNITED STATES.

2. THE INFORMACIONES ARTICLE, FILED MARCH 31 IN NEW YORK
BY FELIPE SAHAGUN, STATES THAT SENATOR HUBERT HUMPHREY MADE
THE COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT BILATERAL AID FOR SPAIN AND
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PORTUGAL DURING A MEETING WITH SPANISH CHRISTIAN
DEMOCRAT LEADERS GIL-ROBLES, RUIZ GIMENEZ AND CANNELLAS.
ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, HUMPHREY TOLD THE SPANIARDS
THAT A NEW "MARSHALL PLAN" WOULD BE APPROPRIATE SINCE
SPAIN RECEIVED "JUST" 52.7 MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE
ORIGINAL MARSHALL PLAN. INFORMACIONES NOTES THAT
SENATOR HUMPHREY IS "ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL

MEMBERS OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE."

3. INFORMACIONES SAID THAT AN NSC OFFICIAL, ASKING NOT TO BE IDENTIFIED, TOLD THE PAPER THAT THE SUPPORT CARTER MENTIONED IN HIS MARCH 17 UNGA SPEECH WOULD BE BOTH MATERIAL AND MORAL. THE OFFICIAL REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE MATERIAL SUPPORT WOULD CONSIST OF IMPORTANT BILATERAL AID AS WELL AS MULTILATERAL AID.

4. INTERPRETING SENATOR HUMPHREY'S REPORTED REMARKS, INFORMACIONES ALSO SPECULATED THAT SENATOR HUMPHREY COULD BE THE LEGISLATIVE POINT MAN FOR THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION, OR COULD SIMPLY BE MAKING HIS OWN INTERPRETATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S UN SPEECH. EATON

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